

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:7195
ANSWERED ON:14.05.2002
MINORITIES COMMISSION REPORT ON GUJARAT
PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Minorities Commission has submitted its report on recent Communal violence in Gujarat;
- (b) if so, the salient features thereof; and
- (c) the action, if any, taken by the Government thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I. D. SWAMI)

(a) to (c): Yes, Sir. The National Commission for Minorities has sent its report directly to the State Government of Gujarat. State Govt. of Gujarat has also submitted its Action Taken Report to National Commission for minorities. Letters from Chairman and two other members of the National Commission for Minorities addressed to the Hon'ble Prime Minister and to the Hon'ble Home Minister have been received suggesting measures like steps to restore confidence in minorities by the administrative machinery, establishment of Joint Peace Committees, payment of adequate compensation to the riot victims, medical facilities, quick survey of damage of properties, easy bank loans for reconstruction's etc. The suggestions made by the National Commission for Minorities were forwarded to the Government of Gujarat for appropriate action.

The Hon'ble Prime Minister has announced a package for economic rehabilitation for the riot victims of Gujarat and the Cabinet Secretariat has been asked to monitor the work of implementation on a weekly basis.